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1. USG WISHES TO PARTICIPATE IN PREPARATION OF A CONSTRUCTIVE STUDY IN A POSITIVE MANNER. WE HOPE THAT RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF EXPERTS' MEETING WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO MEMBER GOVERNMENTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE HAVE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON STRUCTURE OF EXPERTS MEETING: DEPARTMENT HAS DECIDED TO TREAT SEPT. 1-3 MEETING AS GROUP OF EXPERTS
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INVITED BY UNIDO SECRETARIAT TO ADVISE THE EXECUTIVE DIREC-

TOR ON HIS PROGRESS REPORT TO THE 31ST UNGA AND IN PARTICULAR TO ADVISE HIM AS TO WHICH ISSUES IN INTERNATIONAL AND BILATERAL INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION MOST MERIT STUDY IN DEPTH. DEPARTMENT WOULD CONSIDER IT EXTRAVAGANT AND WOULD OBJECT IF ANY ADDITIONAL EXPERT MEETINGS OF THIS LARGE SIZE WERE AGAIN FINANCED BY UNIDO UNLESS THE PURPOSE OF SUCH MEETINGS WERE MORE CLEARLY DEFINED.

2. IT WOULD BE UNACCEPTABLE TO THE UNITED STATES AND CONTRARY TO UN PRACTICE IF THE UN BUDGET WERE TO COVER COSTS OF PERSONS CONSIDERED GOVERNMENT REPS TO ATTEND THIS OR ANY SIMILAR FUTURE MEETINGS TO

REPRESENT THEIR GOVERNMENTS' VIEWS. (THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS IN UN PRACTICE ARE THE CASE OF THE UN PAYING TRAVEL, BUT NOT SUBSISTENCE, FOR FIVE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATES PER MEMBER STATE AS ESTABLISHED IN UNGA RES. 231 (III) OF OCTOBER 8, 1948, OR THE CASE WHERE UN PAYMENT FOR TRAVEL TO A MEETING IS AUTHORIZED BY SPECIFIC RESOLUTION.)

3. PERM REP SHOULD MAKE ABOVE POINTS TO UNIDO SECRETARIAT AT APPROPRIATELY HIGH LEVEL. OUTSIDE OF MEETING.

4. DEPARTMENT RECOGNIZES UNUSUAL AND VAGUE NATURE OF UNGA SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION MANDATE IN RES. 3362 (S-VII), PART IV, PARA. 7. IT IS UNCLEAR HOW "ALL GOVERNMENTS" COULD MANAGE TO "UNDERTAKE A JOINT STUDY." NEITHER IS IT CLEAR WHAT RESPONSIBILITIES ARE LAID ON UNIDO BY VIRTUE OF THE STUDY BEING UNDER UNIDO "AUSPICES." THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HAS APPARENTLY INTERPRETED, "AUSPICES" TO MEAN HE CAN SELECT FROM AMONG "ALL COUNTRIES" CERTAIN ONES FROM WHICH TO SOLICIT ADVICE, ALTHOUGH HE HAS VACILLATED AS TO WHETHER AT SEPT. 1-3 MEETING HE IS IN FACT REQUESTING THE ADVICE OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OR OF EXPERTS IN THEIR PERSONAL CAPACITY. IN THE END, IT WOULD APPEAR HE HAS GOTTEN IT BOTH WAYS WITH HEAVIER EMPHASIS ON GOVERNMENT VIEWS AS MOSTLY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ARE ATTENDING FROM CAPITALS AND VIENNA PERM REPS ARE UNCLASSIFIED

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ACCOMPANYING THEM.

5. DEPT. NOTES THAT EXEC. DIR. ALSO RELIES ON AN INTERPRETATION OF "AUSPICES" TO TAKE ON THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR REPORTING TO THE 31ST UNGA; YOU WILL NOTE THAT THE PASSIVE-VOICE, HORTATORY FINAL SENTENCE OF RESOLUTION 3362 (S-VII) PART IV PARA. 7 DOES NOT ASSIGN RESPONSIBILITY TO UNIDO TO SUBMIT THIS REPORT.

6. DEPT. BELIEVES 31ST UNGA, UPON RECEIVING EXEC. DIRECTOR'S REPORT, SHOULD CLARIFY FUTURE ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF UNIDO SECRETARIAT.

7. CONCERNING PROCEDURES ENVISIONED BY SECRETARIAT FOR NEXT TWO OR THREE YEARS (REPORTED REFTEL A, PARA. 6) PERM REP. SHOULD, AS APPROPRIATE, INSIST DIRECTLY TO SECRETARIAT OR TO

MEETING THAT UNGA SHOULD MAKE ANY FINAL DECISION ON PROCEDURES.

8. AS FOR REFTEL A. PARA. 2, DEPT. BELIEVES THAT PERM REP STIBRAVY ATTENDANCE AND CONSULTATION WITH EXPERT WEINTRAUB THROUGHOUT SESSION WOULD BE INVALUABLE. STIBRAVY SHOULD INFORM UNIDO SECRETARIAT THAT HE WILL BE ADVISING DR. WEINTRAUB DURING THE COURSE OF THE MEETING. HE SHOULD ADD, HOWEVER, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE REPRESENTATIONS OF CONTENTS OF ABOVE PARAGRAPHS 1, 2, AND POSSIBLY 6 AND 7 THAT HE, LIKE DR. WEINTRAUB, IS NOT PRESENT TO REPRESENT U.S. GOVERNMENT POSITIONS. EAGLEBURGER

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